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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN APPLICATION FOR REISSUE

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified reissue application be amended, without prejudice, as follows.

In the Specification

Please amend the paragraph at column 12, lines 15-18, as follows:

Exemplary -R^{2C}-R^{2D} and related structures are

(a) $[-R^6-(CH_2)_t-NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^3)_2$, including $-O-(CH_2)_t-NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^3)_2$, $-NH-(CH_2)_t-NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^3)_2$, $-NH-(CH_2)_t-NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^5)(NR^5)(NR^5)$

 $NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^3)_2$, and $-(CH_2)_{2.5}NR^5C(NR^5)(NR^3)_2$,